

PROPOSITION 461

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 11, ENTITLED “ABSENCE TO TERMINATE MEMBERSHIP”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 11 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “ABSENCE TO TERMINATE MEMBERSHIP” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

~~If the mayor or any councilman shall be absent from more than two (2) consecutive called meetings without the consent of the council, he shall thereupon cease to hold office.~~

IT IS THE EXPECTATION THAT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL ATTEND ALL DULY NOTICED COUNCIL MEETINGS. IF A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL CANNOT ATTEND A MEETING, WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF THEIR ABSENCE MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE. SHOULD A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL BE ABSENT FROM AT LEAST THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE CALLED MEETINGS DAYS WITHOUT PRIOR NOTIFICATION, THEY SHALL CEASE TO HOLD OFFICE. EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION A “MEETING DAY” SHALL BE A PUBLICLY NOTICED MEETING ON A CALENDAR DAY. “CONSECUTIVE” SHALL MEAN SUCCESSIVELY FOLLOWING WITHOUT INTERRUPTION AND OCCURRING ON SUCCESSIVE DAYS.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 11 ENTITLED “ABSENCE TO TERMINATE MEMBERSHIP”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE ATTENDANCE REQUIRMENT FOR MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL TO REFLECT THE COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE AND MORE CLEARLY ESTABLISH EXPECTATIONS AND DEFINITIONS.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of updating the attendance requirement for members of the City Council to reflect the Council Rules of Procedure and more clearly establish expectations and definitions.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 462

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 18, ENTITLED “CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 18 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

Any citizen of the city may appear before the council at any regular meeting and present a written petition; such petition shall be acted upon by the council, in the regular course of business , within ~~thirty (30) days~~ SIXTY (60) DAYS.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 18 ENTITLED “CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS FROM THIRTY (30) DAYS TO SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of updating the consideration of petitions from thirty (30) days to sixty (60) days after presentation to the council.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 463

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX, SECTION 3, ENTITLED “QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS; REGISTRATION; CANDIDATES”

SHALL ARTICLE IX, SECTION 3 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS; REGISTRATION; CANDIDATES” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

- A. The qualification of electors shall be as required by the constitution and laws of this state for state and county elections. Registration of voters shall be as required by the laws of this state and the register of qualified electors may be compiled from the general county register.
- ~~B. The City Clerk shall perform the following ministerial duties with respect to nomination papers and nominating petitions:
 - 1. ~~Verify that official candidates are qualified electors of the city for one year prior to the primary election, as required in Article II Section 5 of the Prescott City Charter.~~
 - 2. ~~Remove signatures of those signers on petitions who list an address outside of the City of Prescott.~~
 - 3. ~~Remove signatures of those signers that signed before the Statement of Organization or \$500 Threshold Exemption was filed.~~~~
- B. THE CITY CLERK NEED ONLY DETERMINE THAT THE NOMINATION PETITIONS ARE SUBSTANTIALLY IN REGULAR FORM AND CONTAIN THE REQUISITE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES PURSUANT TO ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES. THE CLERK SHALL VERIFY THAT OFFICIAL CANDIDATES ARE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE II SECTION 5 OF THE PRESCOTT CITY CHARTER.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX, SECTION 3 ENTITLED “QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS; REGISTRATION; CANDIDATES”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE MINISTERIAL DUTIES OF THE CITY CLERK IN RECEIVING NOMINATION PETITION PAPERS TO ALIGN WITH STATE LAW.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of updating the ministerial duties of the city clerk in receiving nomination petition papers to align with state law.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 464

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VI, SECTION 15, ENTITLED “INDEPENDENT ANNUAL AUDIT” BY UPDATING LANGUAGE TO PROVIDE FOR A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR AUDITING SERVICES

SHALL ARTICLE VI, SECTION 15 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “INDEPENDENT ANNUAL AUDIT” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

~~The council shall designate certified public accountants who, as of the end of the fiscal year, shall make an independent audit of the city government and shall submit their report to the council and to the city manager. Such accountants of the city government or of any of its officers. They shall not maintain any accounts or records of the city business, but, shall post audit the books and documents kept by the city and any separate or subordinate accounts kept by any other office, department or agency of the city government. No firm shall make this audit more than three consecutive years.~~

THE COUNCIL SHALL DESIGNATE A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT TO PERFORM AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT ANNUALLY OF THE CITY’S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE SELECTED AUDITOR SHALL BE QUALIFIED AND HAVE NO DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST IN THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF THE CITY. THE AUDIT REPORT SHALL BE PRESENTED BY THE AUDITOR TO THE COUNCIL AT A PUBLIC MEETING. THE CONTRACT FOR THE INDEPENDENT AUDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED A TERM OF FIVE YEARS.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VI, SECTION 15 ENTITLED “INDEPENDENT ANNUAL AUDIT” BY UPDATING LANGUAGE TO PROVIDE FOR A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR AUDITING SERVICES

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VI, SECTION 15 TO UPDATE LANGUAGE TO PROVIDE FOR A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR AUDITING SERVICES.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of amending Article VI, Section 15 by allowing for a five-year contract, rather a three-year contract, for auditing services.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 465

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO ADD A NEW SECTION 13 TO CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, ENTITLED “LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE”

SHALL ARTICLE VIII, OF THE CITY CHARTER BE AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 13, ENTITLED “LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE” AS FOLLOWS?

ANY LEASE OF CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY PROPOSED TO BE ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 11, THAT INCLUDES AN OPTION FOR THE LESSEE TO PURCHASE THE LEASED PROPERTY SHALL COMPLY WITH THE SALE OF CITY PROPERTY REQUIREMENTS IN CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 12. THE REAL PROPERTY TO BE LEASED SHALL BE APPRAISED WITHIN ONE (1) YEAR PRIOR TO THE EXECUTION OF THE LEASE WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE. IF THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY AT THE TIME OF SAID APPRAISAL EXCEEDS FOUR MILLION DOLLARS, ALL REQUIREMENTS SET OUT IN CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 12 AND ITSSUBSECTIONS SHALL APPLY.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO ADD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 13 ENTITLED “LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO ADD ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 13 REGARDING LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE AND SETTING APPRAISAL REQUIREMENTS.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of adding Article VIII, Section 13 to the City Charter regarding lease of city property with option to purchase and setting appraisal requirements.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 466

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 7, ENTITLED “MAYOR PRO TEMPORE”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 7 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “MAYOR PRO TEMPORE” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

The council shall designate one of its members as mayor pro tempore TO SERVE A ONE-YEAR TERM- ~~who shall serve in such capacity at the pleasure of the council.~~ THE DESIGNATION OF MAYOR PRO TEMPORE WILL BE MADE AT THE SECOND REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IN NOVEMBER. The mayor pro tempore shall perform the duties of the mayor during ~~his~~ THEIR absence or disability.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 7 ENTITLED “MAYOR PRO TEMPORE”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO SPECIFY THE TERM OF THE MAYOR PRO TEMPORE AS ONE (1) YEAR AND DETERMINING THE MEETING AT WHICH THE DESIGNATION SHALL TAKE PLACE.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of specifying the term of the Mayor Pro Tempore as one (1) year and determining the meeting at which the designation shall take place.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 467

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX, SECTION 7, ENTITLED “NOMINATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION”

SHALL ARTICLE IX, SECTION 7 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “NOMINATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

~~If at any primary election there be any office or offices to which no candidate therefore was elected, then, said election shall be considered a primary election for the nomination of candidates for such office or offices, and a second or general election shall be held to vote for candidates to fill such office or offices. The candidates, not elected at such first election, equal in number to twice the number to be elected to any given office, or less if so there be, and who received the highest number of votes for the respective offices at such first election, shall be the only candidates at such second election. Candidates who do not qualify in the primary election shall not be eligible to move up and become candidates in the general election in the event a qualifying candidate withdraws for any reason from the general election or is deceased; provided, that if there be any person who under the provisions of this section, would have been entitled to become a candidate for any office except for the fact that some other candidate received an equal number of votes therefor, then all such persons receiving said equal number of votes shall likewise become candidates for such office. A qualifying candidate who elects to withdraw or a representative of a deceased candidate may request to have the candidate's name removed from the ballot provided that the request is made prior to the time required for printing of the ballots. In the event that any withdrawal results in fewer candidates than the number of vacant offices, the council shall appoint the officer(s) to fill the vacant position subsequent to the general election and prior to the installation of new council members.~~

IN THE EVENT THAT NO CANDIDATE IS ELECTED TO A PARTICULAR OFFICE IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION, A GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD TO ELECT CANDIDATES FOR THAT OFFICE. THE ONLY CANDIDATES ALLOWED TO RUN IN THE GENERAL ELECTION ARE THOSE CANDIDATES WHO RECEIVED THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES IN THE PRIMRARY ELECTION, UP TO TWICE THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS TO BE FILLED. CANDIDATES WHO DO NOT QUALIFY IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO MOVE UP AND BECOME A CANDIDATE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION IN THE EVENT OF A QUALIFYING CANDIDATE'S WITHDRAWAL OR DEATH. A QUALIFYING CANDIDATE WHO WITHDRAWS, OR A LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF A DECEASED CANDIDATE, MAY REQUEST TO HAVE THEIR NAME REMOVED FROM THE BALLOT PROVIDED THAT THE REQUEST IS MADE PRIOR TO THE TIME REQUIRED FOR PRINTING OF BALLOTS. IN THE EVENT THAT ANY WITHDRAWAL RESULTS IN FEWER CANDIDATES THAN THE NUMBER OF VACANT OFFICES, THE COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT THE OFFICER TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION SUBSEQUENT TO THE GENERAL ELECTION AND FOLLOWING THE INSTALLATION OF NEW COUNCILMEMBERS.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX, SECTION 7 ENTITLED “NOMINATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE LANGUAGE FOR NOMINATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION SIMPLIFYING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR CANDIDATES TO MOVE ON TO THE GENERAL ELECTION.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of updating the language for nomination for general election by simplifying the qualifications for candidates to move on to the general election.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 468

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 5, ENTITLED “QUALIFICATIONS”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “QUALIFICATIONS” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

The mayor and ~~councilmen~~ COUNCIL MEMBERS shall: 1) BE A QUALIFIED ELECTOR; 2) HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE CITY ~~ONE YEAR~~ THREE (3) YEARS PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY ELECTION; AND 3) SHALL HOLD NO OTHER PUBLIC OFFICE FOR WHICH THEY RECEIVE COMPENSATION EXCEPT THAT OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD, ~~or naval~~ or military reserve, and shall have resided in said city for ~~one (1) year~~ THREE (3) YEARS next preceding the date of such election or appointment. If the mayor or a ~~councilman~~ COUNCIL MEMBER shall cease to possess any of these qualifications or shall be convicted of a felony, ~~his~~ THEIR office shall immediately become vacant.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 ENTITLED “QUALIFICATIONS”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO CHANGE THE QUALIFICATION FOR MAYOR & COUNCIL FROM ONE (1) YEAR TO THREE (3) YEARS RESIDENCY, AND LANGUAGE CLEANUP.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of changing the residency requirement for Mayor and Council from one (1) year to three-years (3) and clean up language of the section.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 469

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER BY DELETING ARTICLE III, SECTION 6, ENTITLED “REMOVAL OF CITY MANAGER” IN ITS ENTIRETY AND AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 1.

SHALL ARTICLE III, SECTION 6 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “REMOVAL OF CITY MANAGER” BE DELETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ARTICLE III, SECTION 1 BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

~~The council may suspend or remove the city manager by a majority vote of all its members for cause. The council may further suspend or remove the city manager without cause upon the vote of five of seven council members. Within five days from the date of any removal for cause, the city manager may request a public hearing. Said hearing shall be held not later than ten days from the date of said request. The cause for terminating the city manager must be stated and recorded in the minutes at the same time the action is taken. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the council must either affirm or rescind their earlier vote.~~

SECTION 1. APPOINTMENT OF CITY MANAGER: THE COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT AN OFFICER OF THE CITY WHO SHALL HAVE THE TITLE OF CITY MANAGER AND SHALL HAVE THE POWERS AND PERFORM THE DUTIES PROVIDED IN THIS CHARTER. NO COUNCIL MEMBER SHALL RECEIVE SUCH APPOINTMENT DURING THE TERM FOR WHICH THEY SHALL HAVE BEEN ELECTED, NOR WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR TERM. THE CITY MANAGER SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF COUNCIL.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE III, SECTION 6 ENTITLED “REMOVAL OF CITY MANAGER”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER SHALL REMOVE ARTICLE III, SECTION 6 AND UPDATE ARTICLE III, SECTION 1 TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE AND STATE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF COUNCIL.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of removing remove Article III, Section 6 in its entirety and update Article III, Section 1 to clarify language and state that the City Manager shall serve at the pleasure of Council.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining Article III, Section 6 as currently written and will maintain Article III, Section 1 as currently written.

PROPOSITION 470

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 12, ENTITLED “SALE OF CITY PROPERTY” BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION 3

SHALL ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 12 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “SALE OF CITY PROPERTY” BE AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION 3 AS FOLLOWS?

3. REAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY, THE VALUE OF WHICH EXCEEDS FOUR MILLION DOLLARS (\$4,000,000), SHALL NOT BE SOLD UNLESS: (1) TWO (2) PUBLIC HEARINGS TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT SHALL BE HELD ON TWO DIFFERENT MEETING DATES WITHIN A SIXTY (60) DAY PERIOD PRIOR TO A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT WHICH THE PROPOSED SALE IS AGENDIZED FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION; AND (2) THE SALE MUST BE AUTHORIZED BY A SUPER MAJORITY VOTE OF THREE-FOURTHS OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE PROPOSED SALE OF THE PROPERTY.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 12 ENTITLED “SALE OF CITY PROPERTY” BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION 3

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 12 TO ADD NEW SUBSECTION 3 RELATED TO THE SALE OF CITY PROPERTY EXCEEDING A VALUE OF FOUR MILLION DOLLARS.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of amending Article VIII, Section 12 to the City Charter adding new subsection 3 related to the sale of city property exceeding a value of four million dollars.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 471

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 8, ENTITLED “STIPEND OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 8 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “STIPEND OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

Section 8 - Stipend of Mayor and COUNCIL MEMBERS. The stipend of the mayor shall be ~~\$750.00 per month, not to exceed \$9,000.00 per year; and the stipend of the council members shall be \$500.00 per month, not to exceed \$6,000.00 per year. These stipends shall take effect on December 1, 1999.~~ \$1,250.00 PER MONTH OR \$15,000.00 PER YEAR AND THE STIPEND FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS SHALL BE \$850.00 PER MONTH OR \$10,200.00 PER YEAR. THESE STIPENDS SHALL TAKE EFFECT ON JULY 1, 2024. BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2025, AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER STIPENDS WILL BE ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION BASED ON THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX USED TO ADJUST CITY OF PRESCOTT EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 8 ENTITLED “STIPEND OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE MONTHLY STIPEND AMOUNT FOR MAYOR FROM \$750.00 PER MONTH TO \$1,250.00 PER MONTH AND COUNCIL FROM \$500.00 PER MONTH TO \$850.00 PER MONTH AND SET THE REQUIREMENT FOR ANNUAL CPI ADJUSTMENT TO THE SAME.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of updating the monthly stipend amount for Mayor from \$750.00 per month to \$1,250.00 per month and Council from \$500.00 per month to \$850.00 per month and set the requirement for annual CPI adjustment to the same.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 472

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 3, ENTITLED “TERM OF MAYOR”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 3 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “TERM OF MAYOR” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

The term of office of the mayor shall commence at the conclusion of the second regularly scheduled voting meeting of the council in November following a primary or general election, and shall be for ~~two~~ **(2) FOUR (4)** years or until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 3 ENTITLED “TERM OF MAYOR”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER TO CHANGE THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO (2) YEARS TO FOUR (4) YEARS.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of changing the term of mayor from two (2) years to four (4) years.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.

PROPOSITION 473

PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 12, ENTITLED “VACANCIES IN COUNCIL AND OFFICE OF MAYOR”

SHALL ARTICLE II, SECTION 12 OF THE CITY CHARTER ENTITLED “VACANCIES IN THE COUNCIL AND OFFICE OF MAYOR” BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS?

The council, by a majority vote of its remaining members, shall fill the vacancies in its own members AS FOLLOWS:, and in the office of mayor, by either of the following:

- ~~A. Appointment for the unexpired term~~
- ~~B. Appointment until the next November when Council members are seated if the vacancy occurs more than thirty days before the nomination petition deadline for the primary election. The nomination process provided by state election law shall be followed by candidates for such vacancy and shall be designated on the primary, and general if necessary, ballot as running for the “short term.”~~
- A. EXCEPT FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, COUNCIL SHALL BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF ITS REMAINING MEMBERS FILL A COUNCIL VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELECTION IF THE VACANCY OCCURS MORE THAN NINETY (90) DAYS BEFORE THE NOMINATION PETITION DEADLINE FOR SAID ELECTION, OTHERWISE THE APPOINTMENT SHALL BE FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM.
- B. IN THE CASE OF A VACANCY THAT MAY OCCUR IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, THE COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT, FROM THE REMAINING MEMBERS, ONE COUNCIL MEMBER TO SERVE AS MAYOR FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE OUTGOING MAYOR’S TERM. THE VACANCY CREATED ON THE COUNCIL THROUGH THE APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR SHALL THEN BE FILLED BY APPOINTING A NEW COUNCIL MEMBER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION A, ABOVE.

FULL BALLOT TEXT:

OFFICIAL TITLE: PROPOSAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER ARTICLE II, SECTION 12 ENTITLED “VACANCIES IN THE COUNCIL AND OFFICE OF MAYOR”

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER SHALL REMOVE THE “EITHER/OR” OPTION FOR FILLING COUNCIL VACANCIES AND ESTABLISH NEW APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES FOR VACANCIES ON COUNCIL AND IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR.

A “YES” vote shall have the effect of removing the “either/or” option for filling council vacancies and establish new appointment procedures for vacancies on Council and in the Office of Mayor.

A “NO” vote shall have the effect of maintaining the current wording.